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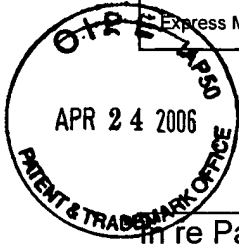
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. Also please note that the Office Action was directed to only claim 1-23 and thus did not address the remaining claims (24-47) see Preliminary Amendment filed May 18, 2005. Applicants are responding to the action as it relates to claims 1-23 and request the Examiner to consider the remaining claims in the next Office Action.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 27 of this paper.